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SUBJECT: RUSSIA PREPARED TO DISCUSS IRAQI DEBT DURING
PRESIDENTIAL MEETING IN KENNEBUNKPORT

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Classified By: Acting Econ M/C Laura Lochman, Reasons 1.4 (b/d).

(C) Post raised Ref A points on Russia's debt relief for Iraq with Deputy Finance Minister Sergey Storchak. The points reinforced discussions that Treasury Deputy Secretary Kimmitt held in Moscow with Finance Minister Aleksey Kudrin on June 20 and with Presidential Aide Viktor Ivanov on June 21 (Reftel B). Storchak said that the Finance Ministry was preparing talking points for President Putin's upcoming visit with President Bush in Kennebunkport. Storchak did not provide details on the substance of the talking points. He did, however, echo Finance Minister Kudrin's suggestion to Deputy Secretary Kimmitt that President Bush raise the topic with President Putin.
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